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In re application of:

Idriss Mansouri-Ruiz

Application No.: 09/970,314

Filed: October 2, 2001

For: AUTOMATIC/MANUAL
LONGITUDINAL POSITION
TRANSLATOR AND ROTARY DRIVE
SYSTEM FOR CATHETERS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 3287

Examiner: Hayes, Michael J.

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3763

RESPONSE

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